

Corn and Livestock: A Synergistic Relationship



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Corn farmers and livestock producers have enjoyed a mutually beneficial and synergistic relationship since the very beginnings of animal agriculture in the United States. Livestock and poultry producers have come to rely on the corn industry as a top source of high quality, nutritional feed. In turn, corn growers have long depended on the livestock and poultry sector as its number one customer. Historically, more than half of the annual U.S. crop has gone to feed domestic livestock and poultry.

Because corn growers have always recognized the importance of the livestock and poultry industries to their own livelihoods, they have invested heavily in research and promotion efforts to advance and protect the interests of America's livestock and poultry producers.

Through state corn checkoff programs, corn growers have invested hundreds of millions of dollars in livestock and poultry programs over the last several decades.

In the last three years alone, it is estimated that state corn checkoff organizations have contributed more than **\$10,500,000** in livestock and poultry research and promotion efforts. These projects have covered a wide range of subjects, ranging from research on utilization of ethanol coproducts to promotion for expanded meat exports.

This document summarizes livestock and poultry funding efforts by individual state corn checkoff organizations in the last three years.

It should be noted that the state summaries in this document do not account for much of the intangible support provided by corn organizations to the livestock and poultry sector. Examples of this type of support, which is typically provided by corn grower (noncheckoff) associations, include state and federal legislative testimonies, official letters, and other political support.

This compendium is not inclusive of all NCGA affiliated organizations livestock funding and provides only those examples that were available. To be part of a future version, please contact Max Starbuck at starbuck@ncga.com.



Colorado Corn Administrative Committee

Colorado Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	150,520	15
Layers (2006), 1000 head	3,765	
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	NR	
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	A	
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	115	
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	2,585	10
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	400	4
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	830	

The Colorado Corn Administrative Committee (CCAC) Mission: To enhance our stakeholders way of life and to provide vision and direction for current and future challenges by enhancing the value of corn, being good land stewards and providing services and education.

The CCAC works aggressively to build a positive environment for their state livestock producers and feeders. CCAC cooperates with livestock groups on issues that benefit water, environment and air quality issues statewide. Communications have resulted in greater understanding and strengthening of relationships as a basis for communication in other areas.

CCAC worked closely with the Colorado Livestock Association, Colorado Cattlemen's Association, Colorado Wool Growers Association, Colorado Pork Council, Colorado Egg Council, and other agricultural organizations during the legislative session each year monitoring bills of importance to Agriculture.

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Colorado Corn Administrative Committee:

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www.coloradocorn.com

Illinois Corn Marketing Board

Illinois Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	2,283,750	2
Layers (2006), 1000 head	4,817	
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	NR	
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	2,700	
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	103	
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	1,237	
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	70	
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	4,200	4

The mission of the Illinois Corn Marketing Board is increasing the profitability of corn production. They do this by developing and maintaining markets for corn and corn products. The checkoff fund makes needed corn utilization research possible and paves the way for the development of new uses for corn.

The Illinois Corn Marketing Board has funded **\$1,311,500** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last three years. Examples are detailed below:

2007-08

- Funding for Illinois Livestock Development Group
- Funding for distillers grains research
- Funding support for U.S. Meat Export Federation
- Funding support for U.S.A. Poultry and Egg Export Council

Total Funding: \$833,000

2006-07

- Project to encourage growth of Illinois dairy industry
- Funding for distillers grains research for pork, poultry and beef
- Funding support for establishment of “standard” DDGs testing methods
- Funding support for U.S. Meat Export Federation and U.S.A. Poultry and Egg Export Council

Total Funding: \$303,500

2005-06

- Funding for Illinois Livestock Development Group
- Funding support for U.S. Meat Export Federation
- Funding support for U.S.A. Poultry and Egg Export Council

Total Funding: \$175,000

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Illinois Corn Marketing Board:

Phone 309-557-3257

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www.ilcorn.org

Indiana Corn Marketing Council

Indiana Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	987,350	5
Layers (2006), 1000 head	24,555	3
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	859,400	
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	13,800	7
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	166	
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	734	
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	53	
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	3,300	5

Indiana Corn Marketing Council creates value for Indiana farmers through research, promotion, market development and education.

Until July 2007 The Indiana Corn Marketing Council operated on a volunteer checkoff system; however, Indiana worked hard to successfully pass a new state checkoff. Indiana Corn Marketing Council is expanding and growing their livestock-related commitments to total **\$403,000** over the next two years is detailed below:

FY 2009

Indiana has approved **\$275,000** for livestock related outreach, development and research.

FY 2008

Indiana has budgeted **\$128,000** to include livestock programs that include community outreach, business development, aquaculture and Poultry DDG research.

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Indiana Corn Marketing Council:

Phone 800-735-0195

Fax 317-347-3626

www.incorn.org

Iowa Corn Promotion Board

Iowa Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	2,368,350	1
Layers (2006), 1000 head	51,557	1
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	B	
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	8,200	10
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	210	
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	3,740	7
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	235	9
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	17,200	1

The Iowa Corn Promotion Board (ICPB) directs funds collected through the Iowa Corn Checkoff — a program designed to promote Iowa's corn industry. The ICPB, and the growers it represents, are actively working to create an economic climate in which the Iowa corn industry will flourish through research, market development and education.

The Iowa Corn Promotion Board has funded **\$1,699,165** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last three years. Examples are detailed below:

2007-08

- Funding support for the U.S. Meat Export Federation
- CSIF
- Livestock-focused trade missions
- Distillers dried grains research

Total Funding: \$608,580

2006-07

- Funding support for the U.S. Meat Export Federation
- CSIF
- Distillers dried grains research
- Meetings with livestock producers

Total Funding: \$549,476

2005-06

- Funding support for the U.S. Meat Export Federation
- CSIF
- Funding for dairy-beef program

Total Funding: \$541,109

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Iowa Corn Promotion Board:

Phone 515-225-9242

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www.iowacorn.org

Kansas Corn Commission

Kansas Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	518,000	8
Layers (2006), 1000 head	F	
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	NR	
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	A	
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	110	
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	6,290	3
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	107	
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	1,840	9

The Kansas Corn Commission works to enhance the profitability of corn through market development, research, promotion and education.

The Kansas Corn Commission has funded **\$413,296** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last three years. Examples are detailed below:

2007-08

- Confined Animal Feeding Operation Waste Water Project
- Funding support for National Pork Board Nutritional Efficiency Consortium
- Ethanol Byproduct and Corn Usage Efficiency in Cattle Feeding –Kansas State University
- Funding support for U.S. Meat Export Federation

Total Funding: \$211,326

2006-07

- Evaluation of Composted Manure to Improve Water Utilization by Irrigated Corn
- Confined Animal Feeding Operation Waste Water Project
- Funding support for U.S. Meat Export Federation

Total Funding: \$120,500

2005-06

- Distillers Grains for Cattle: A Strategy to Reduce Dependence on Feed Grade Antibiotics—Kansas State University
- Funding Support for Beef Empire Days
- Funding support for U.S. Meat Export Federation

Total Funding: \$81,470

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Kansas Corn Commission:

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www.ksgains.com

Kentucky Corn Promotion Council

Kentucky Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	175,440	14
Layers (2006), 1000 head	4,547	
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	289,000	7
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	NR	
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	93	
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	2,367	
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	37	
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	310	

The mission of the Kentucky Corn Promotion Council is to be an innovative organization that provides dividends, benefits and services that meet the needs of our producers and members in a changing industry.

The Kentucky Corn Promotion Council has funded **\$1,200,000** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last three years. Examples are detailed below:

2007-08

- Funding support for U.S. Meat Export Federation
- Kentucky Livestock Expansion Project
- Distillers grains in swine ration research

2006-07

- Funding support for U.S. Meat Export Federation
- Kentucky Livestock Expansion Project

2005-06

- Funding support for U.S. Meat Export Federation
- Kentucky Livestock Expansion Project

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Kentucky Corn Promotion Council:
Phone 502-243-4150 Fax 502-243-4149 www.kycorn.org

Corn Marketing Program of Michigan

Michigan Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	291,400	12
Layers (2006), 1000 head	8,578	
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	B	
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	4,600	
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	324	9
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	736	
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	81	
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	1,000	

To enhance the viability of the Michigan corn industry from grower to consumer is the commitment and mission statement for the Corn Marketing Program of Michigan.

The Corn Marketing Program of Michigan has funded **\$328,082** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last three years. Examples are detailed below:

2007-08

- Effects of Animal Waste & Tillage on Corn Based Crop Rotations – Center For Excellence
- Distillers Grains Research – Mississippi State University
- Effects of Feeding Distillers Grains on Emissions
- Treatments of Stored Swine Manure for Increased Corn Production
- Support for many Michigan and National Livestock organizations *

Total Funding: \$216,382

2006-07

- Effects of Animal Waste & Tillage on Corn Based Crop Rotations – Center For Excellence
- Support for many Michigan and National Livestock organizations *

Total Funding: \$56,850

2005-06

- Effects of Animal Waste & Tillage on Corn Based Crop Rotations – Center For Excellence
- Support for many Michigan and National Livestock organizations *

Total Funding: \$54,850

* Great Lakes Dairy Conference, MAEAP, Michigan Ag Council, USA Poultry & Egg Export Council, U.S. Meat Export Federation, Michigan Pork Producers

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Corn Marketing Program of Michigan:
Phone 517-668-2676 Fax 517-668-2670 www.micorn.org

Minnesota Corn Research and Promotion Council

Minnesota Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	1,138,800	4
Layers (2006), 1000 head	11,079	10
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	45,900	
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	45,000	1
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	455	6
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	1,965	
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	150	
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	6,800	3

The Minnesota Corn Research and Promotion Council administers a 1/2 cent per bushel checkoff used for the promotion, communication and research of Minnesota corn. This effort is targeted at creating opportunities for increased profitability for Minnesota corn.

The Minnesota Corn Research and Promotion Council has funded **\$350,000** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last three years. Examples are detailed below:

2005-08

- Research on using higher levels of DDGs in swine diets
- Methane digester feasibility studies
- Evaluation of effect of using turkey litter as fertilizer
- Evaluation of effect of using swine manure as fertilizer
- Evaluation of beef feedlot run-off control practices

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Minnesota Corn Research and Promotion Council:

Phone 952-233-0333

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www.mncorn.org

Missouri Corn Merchandising Council

Missouri Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	461,500	9
Layers (2006), 1000 head	7,207	
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	B	
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	20,000	5
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	114	
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	4,336	6
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	78	
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	2,750	7

The Missouri Corn Merchandising Council is an organization of corn growers dedicated to the profitability of corn production by investing check-off dollars in: development and expansion of corn markets, facilitating communication with growers, customers and utilization research.

The Missouri Corn Merchandising Council has funded **\$428,000** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last three years. Examples are detailed below:

2007-08

- Working with MCA on joint project of supplying distillers grains to cow/calf operations.
- Just finished a study on ways to increase back grounding of calves in Mo.
- Corn Trait Trials: We use information from these trials to identify corns best suited for specific livestock nutritional needs.
- Applied for research grants to identify best use ration for their distillers grains with specific type of livestock.
- Conducting a joint mailing to MCGA and MCA members on our joint projects and actions to address supply of distillers grains to cow/calf operations in Mo.

Total Funding: \$263,000

2006-07

- Studies on using Distillers Grains in Livestock operations.
- In cattle areas hit hard by ice storms MCGA and ethanol plants provided 3 semi loads of distillers grains to the hardest hit areas in SW MO.
- Corn Trait Trials
- Special projects of with supplying “value added” corn to pet food industry
- Special projects of with supplying “value added” corn to poultry industry
 - Note: provided > 4 million bushels of enhanced nutrient valued corn.

Total Funding: \$125,000

2005-2006

- Corn Trait Trials

Total Funding: \$40,000

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Missouri Corn Merchandising Council:

Phone 573-893-4181

Fax 573-893-4612

www.mocorn.org

Nebraska Corn Board

Nebraska Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	1,472,000	3
Layers (2006), 1000 head	11,718	9
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	5,100	
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head		
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	60	
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	6,590	2
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	95	
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	3,000	6

The mission of the Nebraska Corn Board is to develop, carry out and participate in programs of research, education, market development and promotion to enhance profitability (viability) and expand the demand and value of Nebraska corn and value-added corn products.

The Nebraska Corn Board has funded **\$1,989,233** in livestock-related research in the last three years. Examples are detailed below:

2007-08

- Effects of level of wet distillers grains fed on feedlot performance, odor production, pathogen persistence in manure, carcass quality and beef tenderness of calf-fed steers – U.S. Meat Animal Research Center (Clay Center, Neb.)
- Wet distillers byproducts as range supplements and forage substitutes – University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- Funding support for foreign market development through Meat Export Federation

Total Funding: \$708,470

2006-07

- Dairy rations that maximize the inclusion of corn milling coproducts -- University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- Corn distillers dried grains for growing-finishing swine
- Funding support for foreign market development through Meat Export Federation

Total Funding: \$551,862

2005-06

- USDA, FSMIP Grant: Midwest Regional Survey of U.S. Livestock Producers to Identify Barriers to Distillers Grains Utilization and Enhance Market Opportunities
- Published coproducts manuals for beef, dairy, swine and poultry industries
- Optimizing level of DDGS for increased use by feedlot cattle – University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Total Funding: \$728,901

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Nebraska Corn Board:

Phone 402-471-2676

Fax 402-438-7241

www.nebraskacorn.org

North Dakota Corn Utilization Council

North Dakota Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	272,600	13
Layers (2006), 1000 head	5,433	
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	NR	
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	1,300	
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	31	
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	1,819	
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	100	
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	169	

The North Dakota Corn Council is committed to continued research funding in the critical areas of northern plant breeding, conservation practices, storage, renewable energy, biofuels, transportation, fertilization, livestock and producer education.

The North Dakota Corn Utilization Council has funded **\$251,580** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last three years. Examples are detailed below:

2007-08

- Funding support for North Dakota Dairy Coalition
- Funding support for North Dakota State University Beef Center of Excellence
- Study on DDGS and feed barley rations

Total Funding: \$125,759

2006-07

- Funding support for North Dakota Dairy Coalition
- Funding support for North Dakota State University Beef Center of Excellence
- Funding support for research on feasibility of DDGS lick tubs

Total Funding: \$16,583

2005-06

- Funding support for North Dakota Dairy Coalition
- Funding support for North Dakota State University Beef Center of Excellence
- Funding support for North Dakota Pork Producers
- Study on using nisin as a feed preservative

Total Funding: \$109,238

For more information on livestock programs funded by the North Dakota Corn Utilization Council:

Phone 701-364-2250

Fax 701-298-7810

www.ndcorn.org

Ohio Corn Marketing Program

Ohio Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	541,500	7
Layers (2006), 1000 head	28,374	2
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	45,600	
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	5,100	
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	274	10
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	986	
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	141	
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	1,680	10

As a checkoff funded program, the mission of the Ohio Corn Marketing Program is to maintain, create and increase opportunities for Ohio corn growers.

The Ohio Corn Marketing Program has funded **\$280,500** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last three years. Examples are detailed below:

2007-08

- Funding for Ohio State University Livestock Economic Impact Study
- Funding support for Ohio Livestock Coalition Industry Image Campaign
- Funding support for Ohio Pork Producers Council
- Funding support for U.S. Meat Export Federation
- Funding for Ohio State University Livestock Environmental Education Program

Total Funding: \$84,500

2006-07

- Funding support for Ohio Livestock Coalition Industry Image Campaign
- Funding support for Ohio Pork Producers Council
- Funding support for U.S. Meat Export Federation
- Funding for Ohio State University Livestock Environmental Education Program

Total Funding: \$97,500

2005-06

- Funding support for Ohio Livestock Coalition Industry Image Campaign
- Funding support for Ohio Pork Producers Council
- Funding support for U.S. Meat Export Federation

Total Funding: \$98,500

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Ohio Corn Marketing Program:
Phone 740-382-0483 Fax 740-387-0144 www.ohiocorn.org

South Dakota Corn Utilization Council

South Dakota Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	544,500	6
Layers (2006), 1000 head	3,247	
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	NR	
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	4,200	
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	81	
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	3,619	8
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	380	5
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	1,330	

The South Dakota Corn Utilization Council (SDCUC) Mission: Increasing the profitability of corn production. SDCUC also continues to lay groundwork for the expansion of the livestock industry of South Dakota and striving to help it evolve and grow as economic and political factors change.

The South Dakota Corn Utilization Council has funded **\$1,575,930** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last three years. Examples are detailed below:

2006-07

- Research on DDGs in Forage Diets—South Dakota State University
- Research on Amino Acid Utilization—South Dakota State University
- Research on DDGs and Phosphorous—South Dakota State University
- Research on DDGs as a supplement for heifers—South Dakota State University
- Funding support for “Summer Spotlight”

Total Funding: \$197,945

2005-06

- Research on Phosphorous Utilization—South Dakota State University
- Research on Amino Acids in Swine—South Dakota State University
- Research on DCD as a hay replacement—South Dakota State University
- Research on feeding DDGs in forage diets—South Dakota State University
- Funding support for U.S. Meat Export Federation
- Livestock media/public relations campaign
- Funding support for South Dakota Cattlemen’s Association

Total Funding: \$620,825

2004-05

- Funding support for Dakota Turkey Growers
- Study on county zoning issues related to livestock production
- Funding support for Ag United South Dakota
- Research on metabolizable energy of DDGs—South Dakota State University
- Research on determining net energy of DDGs in cattle—SDSU

Total Funding: \$757,160

For more information on livestock programs funded by the South Dakota Corn Utilization Council:

Texas Corn Producers Board

Texas Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	296,000	11
Layers (2006), 1000 head	18,769	7
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	628,300	6
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head		
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	347	8
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	13,653	1
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	1,070	1
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	930	

Texas Corn Producers Association of Texas (CPAT) is building a strong organizational support system for the corn industry representing the interests and concerns of all Texas corn producers. Approximately 90 percent of Texas grown corn is fed to livestock.

The Texas Corn Producers Board has funded **\$30,000** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last two years. Examples are detailed below:

2007-08

- Feeding Wet Distillers Grains in Steam Flake Corn Rations
- Coalition of Texas commodity and livestock seeking \$850,000 from the state of Texas
- Legislature to develop a plan to best use distillers grains produced by Texas ethanol plants.
- Utilization of Distillers Grains by Sheep and Goats

Total Funding: \$20,000

2006-07

- Distillers grains research

Total Funding: \$10,000

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Texas Corn Producers Board:

Phone 806-763-2676

Fax 806-762-2674

www.texascorn.org

Wisconsin Corn Promotion Board

Wisconsin Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	442,800	10
Layers (2006), 1000 head	4,699	
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	38,300	
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	A	
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	1,245	2
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	2,155	
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	92	
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	440	

The Wisconsin Corn Promotion Board believes in creating opportunities for all aspects of agriculture.

The Wisconsin Corn Promotion Board has funded **\$30,000** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last three years. See example below:

2005-08

- Research on feeding DDGS to dairy—University of Wisconsin

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Wisconsin Corn Promotion Board:
Phone 262-495-2232 Fax: 262-495-3178 www.wicorn.org

Virginia Grain Producers Association

Virginia Corn and Livestock Statistics		Rank
Corn Production (2007), 1000 bu.	34,425	
Layers (2006), 1000 head	3,291	
Broilers (2006), 1000 head	256,200	10
Turkeys (2006), 1000 head	21,500	4
Milk cows (2006), 1000 head	100	
Beef cattle (2006), 1000 head	1,520	
Sheep and Lambs (2006), 1000 head	72	
Hogs and Pigs (2006), 1000 head	360	

The Virginia Grain Producers Association (VGPA) supports voluntary participation among Virginia agriculture to have nutrient management plans. Currently over 90 percent of Virginia's poultry used corn from Ohio.

The Virginia Grain Producers Board has funded **\$7,000** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last three years. Examples of livestock-related programs funded by Virginia corn producers are detailed below:

2007-08

- Using phytases to increase the bioavailability of phosphorus in distillers dried grains with solubles for swine and poultry diets.

Total Funding: \$7,000

For more information on livestock programs funded by the Virginia Grain Producers Association:
Phone 757-421-3038 Fax 757-421-2776 www.viriniagrains.com.

National Corn Growers Association

Though there is no national checkoff for corn, the National Corn Growers Association (NCGA) has provided funding and support for a number of livestock-related programs. NCGA has funded **\$124,500** in livestock-related research and promotion in the last three years. Examples of livestock-related programs funded by NCGA are detailed below:

2007-08

- Funding support for United Egg Producers Conservation Innovation Grant
- Funding support for National Pork Board Nutritional Efficiency Consortium
- Livestock and Corn Issues Forums in North Carolina and Nebraska
- Energy Cost Savings between Organic and Inorganic Fertilizers
- Legislative issues related to livestock

Total Funding: \$74,500

2006-07

- Published “pocket guide” on feeding distillers grains
- Funding support for research to identify recommended methods for DDGs nutritional analysis
- Livestock and Corn Issues Forum in South Dakota
- Reprint of NCGA Corn Distillers Grains pamphlet
- Legislative issues related to livestock

Total Funding: \$25,000

2005-06

- NCGA Corn Distillers Grains pamphlet
- Distillers Grains Research
- Legislative issues related to livestock

Total Funding: \$25,000



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